



Sermon-Based GC Discussion Questions

9/13/26 – Gospel Confidence

Main Point of Sermon: In our spiritual battle, self-reliance isolates us from God's people, convinces us to abandon our post when things get difficult, and puts too much weight on our own sufficiency. Therefore, with confidence in the gospel, we must keep alert through supplication for one another, steadfast commitment to Jesus's mission, and absolute trust in Jesus's sufficiency.

Launching Question:

- Why do you think we are so prone to self-reliance instead of gospel confidence? Explain.

Primary Scripture: Ephesians 6:18b-20

Discussion Questions:

- Paul begins with the command to "keep alert." Why is this so important?
- According to this passage, what would it look like if our prayer live were categorized as watchful? Think: for who, how often, what kind...
- Read 2 Cor. 5:16-21. When you look at this passage alongside the sermon text (Eph. 6:19-20), what do you learn about the role of God's ambassadors?
 - If these were our "marching orders" as God's army, how would you rephrase them into one simple statement in everyday language?
 - How is Paul's prayer request affected by his duty to fulfill his role as an ambassador?
- How does Paul's prayer requests express trust in the Savior? What is he trusting Him to do?
 - How does this trust affect the way Paul does his job as an ambassador?

Application Questions:

- What would it look like for us to "as one" keep watch in prayer for one another as a Gospel Community?
 - What would need to change about...
 - ...our investment in each other?
 - ...our openness with each other?
 - ...our communication about how we're praying for each other?
- What are your greatest temptations to neglect your calling as an ambassador?
 - How can this community come alongside you and help you remain faithful, even when that faithfulness brings difficult circumstances or consequences?
- When it comes to why we aren't sharing the gospel, which path sounds more like your gut reaction?
 - "I just need to get better at sharing my faith."
 - "I'm not capable enough to share the gospel."
- If both of these paths reveal that I am looking to my own sufficiencies to dictate my faithfulness to share, what would gospel confidence in your life look like instead?



Prayer Focus:

- This passage calls us to make supplication for all the saints. Take time to pray for our brothers and sisters worldwide, and especially our missionary partners.
- Pray for one another to remain faithful to Jesus and His mission when obedience becomes difficult or brings unwanted consequences.
- Pray for our boldness in evangelism, and for the words to faithfully share the gospel from a place of TRUST in Jesus.